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FRIDAY, AUG. 21, 1903.

THE Pope has given \$20,000 for distribution among the poor of Rome.

ONE of those college hands is said to be disappointed with Kansas farms because they have no soda fountains.

SENATOR MOORE, of Detroit, who has been suffering with locomotor ataxia for several years, died in that city last Saturday.

THROUGH an oversight, undoubtedly, the last issue of the Commoner failed to bring forth a new presidential candidate. Probably Mr. Bryan was in the harvest field.

ONE who has made a study of the government crop reports says that he sees no reason why wheat should not be selling at \$1.00 before many weeks pass away.

JOHN TAYLOR, the M. & M. stake winner at Detroit, has gone down the line with but one defeat up to date. Rhythmic, the 1902 winner, broke into the game at New York Monday, in the 2:07 class, landing first money.

JAMES J. CORBETT, the ex-heavyweight champion, is willing to concede that he is no longer eligible for heavyweight honors, after being defeated by Jeffries in ten rounds at San Francisco last Friday night. That was, no doubt, his last fight.

"I DON'T care whom the Democrats nominate for President in 1904," said Adlai E. Stephenson. None of your back-handed, side-wiping, suicidal cuts at former Presidents and defeated candidates of the Democratic party for your Uncle Adlai.

AN EXCHANGE very aptly remarks that "after a newspaper man has yelled himself hoarse in efforts to persuade people to patronize home merchants, and accidentally stumbles onto the fact that some of the fellows he is endeavoring to protect are sending away for their job printing, it rather shakes his faith in mankind and makes reciprocity look like a lead dime with a hole in it."

A REPORT on the world's apple crop 1903 has just been issued and shows that Europe will not have half a crop while New England, in the aggregate will have a generous crop. Maine's almost equaling that of last year. New York state reports plenty of apples, the middle west only fair, the far west very heavy, Virginia and West Virginia a very large crop and Nova Scotia exceptionally heavy. Canada also promises quite a heavy yield. The quality and average is excellent except in some sections.

HAS A NEW LAUNCH.

C. O. Ward Takes the Engine in the Old Boat and Puts it into a Smaller Hull.

Last week a deal was perfected whereby C. O. Ward obtained the gasoline launch belonging to the boat club, and he at once negotiated for the purchase of a smaller boat to install the engine in as the old boat was too large for the power developed. This he secured in Bay City and at once shipped the engine to that place for the purpose of having it mounted in as pretty a little 16-foot launch as could be desired. Mr. Ward and P. M. Smith have built a very handsome new boat house on the banks of the pond, which is now ready to occupy and adds considerably to the appearance of the river front. It is now intended to place a larger engine in the old boat and then we will have two of these launches to add to the fast growing fleet of pleasure boats on our beautiful little river.

BIG DAY AT RIVERDALE.

The citizens of Riverdale were so well pleased over the success of their last field day, recently held in that enterprising little town, that it has prompted them to hold another "big day" event tomorrow, August 22. There is no doubt but that the meet will be of interest as it has been placed in the hands of F. E. Loop, president; J. H. Sessions, secretary and E. A. Houck, treasurer. The following are a few of the features:

Free-for-all pace or trotting race (best two in three)—First prize, \$10.00; second prize, \$5.00; third prize, \$2.00.
Free-for-all running race—First prize, \$10.00; second prize, \$5.00; third prize, \$2.00.
Bicycle race—First prize, \$2.00; second prize, one box of cigars.
Foot race, one hundred yards—First prize, \$2.00.
Tag-of-war, sides to be chosen at time of contest—Winning side, one box of cigars.
Free open air trapeze performance.
Grand exhibition by King of Slack Wire, Professor Loop. Music by full brass band. Dancing in the evening.

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Additional Local News

Miss Bessie Raymond has returned from her visit to Traverse City.

Miss Sadie Altenburg, of Ithaca, visited Miss Blanche Woodward Thursday. J. W. and W. A. Fullerton left Thursday for Hillsdale to attend the funeral of a sister.

A. W. McKibbin, who went to S. Dakota the latter part of July, returned home Wednesday.

Ernest Shook and Miss Lilly Winchell were married at the home of the bride's mother in Alma on Wednesday, Rev. J. W. McKibbin officiating.

Miss Maud Wilson returned Wednesday from Oxford, where she moved with her parents a short time ago, and will be found in the dry goods department at Vermeulen's.

The sermon at St. John's church on Sunday morning will be on the subject, "The Lord's Day." Service at 10:30. All are invited. Sunday school at 12:00 o'clock noon. No evening service.

C. B. Ingersoll holds the record as champion fisherman of Alma for this season. He caught five pickerel averaging five and one-half pounds each while fishing on the pond Wednesday.

G. F. Burt brought to this office one day this week, a stalk of corn grown on the Penrith farm north of Alma, that for size exceeds anything brought to our notice so far. The stalk measures 18 feet and one inch in height and from the roots to the base of the ear it is just six feet and six inches. Mr. Burt says there are plenty more of the same height in the field.

LUCIAN DREW SHOT.

The Boy Killed at Utica, N. Y., by a Companion with whom He had Quarreled.

Joseph Drew received the sad news Wednesday that his son had been shot and killed by a companion at Utica, N. Y., the day previous, as the result of a quarrel. It seems that young Drew and a lad from Utica were working on a farm near that city and that they became engaged in an altercation, the Drew boy, who was 18 years old, getting the best of the younger boy, whose name was Herbert Moon, and choked him. Moon broke away from the other and securing a 22-caliber rifle shot his companion dead. The Moon lad is only 13 years old. The murdered boy was quite a wild lad and ran away from home last fall, joining the carnival company that was in St. Louis at that time. Mr. Drew, the father, left Thursday for Utica to bring the remains home.

THE "MAPLE RIDGE" DAIRY.

Will Commence the Delivery of Milk to Alma Patrons Sept. 1.

For some time there has been a demand in Alma for a good dairy, not of the ordinary kind, but one that is first-class in every manner, and since Mr. O. F. Brown has been engaged in farming he has been repeatedly advised to start one of that style. Lately Mr. Brown has increased his herd of dairy cows and now makes the announcement that he will start a wagon the first of the coming month, delivering milk to patrons by the pint and quart, in bottle or from the can, conducting it on a strictly cash basis. Mr. Harvey Davis, a man who has had considerable experience in the dairy business in Ithaca and Alma both, will have the management of the "Maple Ridge Dairy," as it will be named by Mr. Brown.

ANOTHER YOUNG LIFE ENDED.

Oscar Dean Succumbs to Disease in Early Youth When Life is Brightest.

On Sunday morning grim death again invaded our midst and Oscar Dean's young life was ended, when the world was looking its brightest to him. He was nearing his twenty-first year, just the time when life is looked forward to with the greatest of pleasure, but his time had come and it was not for him to say nay. He had been ill only a short time and it was thought that he was recovering until a few days before his death which occurred about 4 o'clock a. m. He leaves a mother, sister and stepfather, besides a host of friends among his young associates, who mourn their loss. The funeral was held at the M. E. church on Tuesday and the remains interred in Riverside cemetery.

The coal industry in Michigan is assuming proportions of magnitude. The reports of the operations for the months of April, May and June, make an exceedingly gratifying exhibit, not the least satisfactory item being the fact that Michigan coal rivals that of the large soft coal producing states, and the demand for it is constantly increasing and the industry is also steadily expanding.

WALKS FOR 9 CENTS.

I am now prepared to build cement walks and guarantee the work as good as any. Price 9 cents per foot.

H. F. THOMPSON.

Sunday Excursion to Crystal Lake and Frankfort.

On August 28th the Ann Arbor R. R. will leave Alma at 6:03 a. m. Fare for round trip \$1.25. Children over five and under twelve years of age half the adult rate.

A VERY UNIQUE AFFAIR.

A Pleasant Social Time and the Ladies Cleared a Nice Little Sum.

The social given by the Ladies' Guild of St. John's church on the lawn at T. F. Timby's residence last Friday night was a very unique affair as well as pleasant social event. Mr. Timby had arranged the lawn so that instead of the old and familiar lawn social it was a veritable carnival with booths, fortune tellers, "wild men" that were not wild, animals that were alive and animals that were not, flower girls and many other attractions. In the afternoon a parade of the "freaks" was made through the street and assisted in advertising the "show" considerable, costumes having been imported to give the participants the true color. At the grounds in the evening everything was arranged to the very best of advantage and dainty Japanese lanterns shed a softening light over the entire beautiful scene. The zoological garden attracted a large amount of attention, Mr. Timby's tame bear affording lots of amusement, while his large collection of stuffed animals made up the balance of the "Zoo." The ladies netted about \$40 as the result of the entertainment.

A UNIQUE RIDE.

Dr. Brainerd and Three Nurses Took Passage on a Freight Train to Reach a Serious Case.

Dr. I. N. Brainerd received a sudden call last Sunday to go to Mt. Pleasant and perform a difficult and urgent surgical operation upon a lady of that city, but as he was unable to secure a lively conveyance for himself and three nurses, and found it impossible to engage an automobile even, which he endeavored to do in St. Louis, he telegraphed the general manager of the Ann Arbor and obtained permission to ride on a through freight that fortunately pulled in there at that time and the conductor was instructed to carry the four passengers to Mt. Pleasant. Dr. Brainerd considered himself quite fortunate in thus arriving there in time to perform a successful operation, as the rules of the Ann Arbor are very strict in regards to freight trains carrying passengers.

AT CRIPPLE CREEK.

Alma Opera House Season of 1903-04 Opens August 27.

A rousing good play, full of the snap and dash of border life, is always sure of a warm welcome from the patrons of the Alma opera house, where "At Cripple Creek" appears Aug. 27, when Hal Reid's latest drama, "Cripple Creek," will be produced. Hal Reid is a playwright who knows how to please a wide range of spectators. His new play abounds in hair breadth escapes and absorbing situations. Joe Mayfield, a heroic young miner, is the leading character. His rescues, aided by Dynamite Ann and Waketah, of Belle Gordon from the "Temple of David," Martin Mason's den, is highly dramatic. Other excellent scenes are the interior of the "Last Dollar" claim and the rescue of Little Totto by Waketah in the second act. The death of Dynamite Ann, who dies to save those she has so bravely defended, adds to the strong heart interest of the story and the stage settings are brilliant examples of the scene painter's art.

EXCURSIONS VIA THE PERE MARQUETTE

Schwabenfest Picnic at Grand Rapids, Sunday, August 30.

Train will leave Alma at 8:40 a. m. Rate \$1.25. See posters or ask agents for particulars.

MARKET REPORT.

Corrected Aug. 21, 1903.

Wheat has advanced a cent over last week, while corn has stood still at 50 cents. The poultry market is being pushed by the Central Michigan Produce company.

Wheat, new	74
Wheat, old	72
Oats	25
Rye	45
Corn, old	50
Corn, new	50
Potatoes	40
Buckwheat	40
Beans	35
Apples per bu.	25
Clover seed	5.25
Timothy seed	2.00
Butter	13.24
Eggs	13.14
Honey	12
Onions	1.50
Green Hides	05.00
Dressed Pork	7.50
Live Pork	4.00
Dressed Beef	7.50
Live Beef	3.00
Mutton	27.00
Live Mutton	1.00
Veal Live	5.00
Live Hogs	7.00
Live Ducks	08
Live Geese	08
Dressed Chickens	10

Eighteenth Annual Ohio Excursion.

On Wednesday, October 7th, the Ann Arbor R. R. will give its annual Ohio excursion. Special train will leave Alma at 8:14 a. m. Excursion tickets good for return until November 7th will be sold to Toledo at \$4.36 for round trip and at correspondingly low rates to all stations in Ohio on the Wheeling & Lake Erie, Detroit Southern, Hooking Valley, Ohio Central Lines, Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton, Lake Shore & Michigan Southern and Wabash Rys. Call on nearest Ann Arbor R. R. agent for further information or write J. J. Kirby, G. P. A. Toledo, Ohio.

Editorials By the People...

Readers of this Paper are invited to contribute their ideas on current topics of public interest in this column.

Official Report of Alma's Water.

ALMA, AUG. 20th, 1903.
To the Editor—The local Board of Health, acting under directions from the state Board of Health, recently sent several samples of water from different parts of the town, and milk and water from Mr. Granger's dairy to the state laboratory for examination. The report shows that samples from a number of the wells are not safe to drink, especially the shallow wells, until the water has been boiled. The sample of milk was reported as not unsafe for use, although the water from the same place would have to be boiled before using, in order to render it fit for drinking purposes. In view of these reports, the local Board of Health wishes to strongly urge the necessity of boiling water for drinking purposes and especially to those who derive their water from shallow wells. The state Board of Health has always considered this a necessary precaution, and report from laboratory offers same advice. LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH.

Eat All You Want.

Persons troubled with indigestion or Dyspepsia can eat all they want if they will take Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. This remedy prepares the stomach for the reception, retention, digestion and assimilation of all of the wholesome food that may be eaten, and enables the digestive organs to transform the same into the kind of blood that gives health and strength. Sold by Chas. G. Rhodes.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

(OFFICIAL)

ALMA, MICH., AUG. 11, 1903.
Regular meeting of the Common Council of the Village of Alma, in Council Chamber on above date.

Present, President Young, Trustees Delavan, Demuth, Sanderhoff and Struble. Absent, Trustees Montigel and Pierce. Minutes of last meeting read and on motion approved.

On motion the following labor claims were allowed at footing and the clerk instructed to issue orders for same:

Cemetery labor—

W. A. Thomas.....\$16.50

David Howe.....3.75

Water works labor—

Charles Baldwin.....12.42

W. Howe.....2.00

Edwin Warren.....3.00

Bert Osborn.....2.25

W. A. Howe.....18.80

Vern Johnson.....15.00

W. Hart.....12.08

P. M. Secord.....12.90

G. Bowers.....16.05

Geo. Haynes.....75

Highway labor—

Solomon Wilson.....6.75

 R. Holiday.....32.00 || Fred Fronsche.....3.00 |
| Frank Herrington.....6.00 |
| Wm. Hart.....8.40 |
| John Greig.....22.10 |
| R. Hart.....90 |
| H. F. Thompson.....4.00 |
| On motion the following claims for relief for the construction of cement walks were allowed at footing and the clerk instructed to issue orders for same: |
| D. J. Vermeulen.....\$11.60 |
| E. A. Bivins.....50.50 |
| On motion the following miscellaneous claims were allowed at footing and the clerk instructed to issue orders for same: |
| Supply Supplies.....\$20.50 |
| Tinker & Hannab.....5.75 |
| J. E. Fuller.....14.14 |
| A. Stockbridge Elevator Co.....14.14 |
| M. Montigel.....3.71 |
| P. M. R. Co., freight.....3.71 |
| Alma Roller Mills, oats.....21.50 |
| C. F. Fishback, blanketing.....5.95 |
| Alma Electric Light and Power Co.....125.00 |
| Pumping.....77.34 |
| Lighting.....7.00 |
| Dr. R. F. Erwin, medical services on fire.....2.85 |
| S. Standard, valve leather applied.....365.30 |
| The Michigan Pipe Co., piping for new water mains.....2.85 |
| One Day Special Board of Review.....2.00 |
| G. S. Young.....2.00 |
| F. R. Hathaway.....2.00 |
| A. M. Delavan.....2.00 |
| Otto Sanderhoff.....2.00 |
| D. P. Struble.....2.00 |
| F. Montigel.....2.00 |
| D. W. Adams, in special board of review and work on special ruling.....4.00 |
| Special Police During Circus— |
| Howard Willard.....5.80 |
| Amos Bodine.....2.00 |
| R. Woodward.....3.00 |
| R. Erwin.....1.00 |
| On motion the petition from Alma College to tap sewer was granted. |
| On motion the petition from the Modern Woodmen for street privileges August 20 was granted. |
| Ordinance No. 41, entitled "An ordinance to regulate and control the selling of milk within the village of Alma, Michigan, and to license vendors thereof and to regulate the care of cows from which milk is sold and for the inspection and examination of dairies and dairy herds and of milk" was read. |
| Motion made by Trustee Delavan, supported by Trustee Sanderhoff, that ordinance No. 41 be adopted as read. |
| Motion carried as follows: |
| Yeas—Trustees Delavan, Demuth, Sanderhoff and Struble. |
| Nays—None. |
| On motion of Trustee Delavan, supported by Trustee Sanderhoff, the clerk was instructed to advertise for sealed bids to construct the Young Sewer, reserving the right to reject any and all bids. Bids to be received on or before September 8, 1903. |
| Moved by Trustee Sanderhoff, supported by Trustee Struble, that the proper notice be issued and served ordering any work on east side of Pine street, fronting residence property of Charles Spior, and on the west side of Woodworth street, fronting lot 3 and the north 30th feet of lot 4, block 21. |
| Motion carried. |
| On motion council adjourned. |
| G. S. YOUNG, President. |
| W. W. KINCH, Clerk. |

Sealed Proposals.

Sealed bids for "the Young Sewer" will be received at the office of the Village Clerk, up to and including Sept. 8th, 1903, at which time the bids will be opened. Plans and specifications on file at the said office of Village Clerk. Village Council reserve the right to reject any and all bids. W. W. KINCH, Village Clerk.

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FOR SALE—House and lot for sale cheap. Inquire of Dr. Kelly.

FOUR SALE—Full blooded English bull dogs. For further information apply at Record office.

WANTED—Bellboy. Apply at Alma Sanitarium at once.

WASHING WANTED—All kinds of washing, family and otherwise. Inquire of Mrs. R. B. Allen, Branch St.

FOUND—On the streets of Alma Saturday, a gentleman's gold filled watch with owner's name inside. Owner lives in Middleton. He can have the watch at the Record office, by proving ownership and paying for this notice.

FOR SALE—One thoroughbred yearling red polled bull and one grade yearling red short horn bull; also seven head of thoroughbred red polled spring bull calves. All strictly first-class. Enquire of A. L. Vagstad, 1206-85.

TO EXCHANGE—30 acres of wild land to exchange for a pair of heavy work horses, harness and wagon. 1206-11 C. F. Brown.

ORDER OF HEARING—State of Michigan

County of Gratiot, ss.

At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Gratiot, holden at the Probate Office in the Village of Ithaca, on Monday, the 15th day of August, in the year one thousand nine hundred three, 1903.

Present, Isaac S. Seaver, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Stanley Ward and Blanche Boughton, minors.

On reading and filing the petition, duly verified of Anna M. Boughton, Guardian of said minors, praying that she may be licensed to sell at private sale all the real estate described in said petition for the purpose of expending and investing the proceeds.

Thereupon it is Ordered, that Tuesday, the 15th day of September, A. D. 1903, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, be assigned for the hearing of said petition, and that the next of kin and Belovs-at-law of said minors and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said Court then to be holden at the Probate Office, in the Village of Ithaca, and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

And it is Further Ordered, that said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate, of the pendency of said petition, and of the hearing thereof, by filing a copy of this order with the clerk of said Court, and by causing a true and correct copy of this order to be published in said County of Gratiot, at least three weeks previous to said day.

(SEAL) A true copy.

AC S. SEAVER, Judge of Probate.

MICHIGAN STATE FAIR

At Pontiac, Sept. 7-11, '03.

There is every indication that the Fair for 1903 will excel all previous fairs. The premium list has been improved, and new features added. New special attractions have been engaged, and the grounds and buildings will be ready for an

Up-to-Date Fair..

Fine Races as usual. The Farmers' Race, Ladies' Driving, and other entertaining features. Fire Team Races. Prize Maccabee Drill Friday. Railroad trains and electric cars to the gates. Half fare on railroads.

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